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### Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09 / 997,494 First Named Applicant: Weaver, Alex P.  
Examiner: Ernesto Garcia Art Unit: 3679 Status of Application: Non-final Action

#### Tentative Participants:

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(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: June 24, 2004 Proposed Time: 2:00 pm (AM/PM)

#### Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO  
If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) Rejection 101	Claims 9-20	Scarlett (2,488,987) Grisley (5,711,356)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) Rejection 103	Claim 1 and 5	Scarlett, Grisley, Sheperdson (1,419,647) and Blake (2,000,915)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3) Rejection 103	Claims 6-8	Scarlett, Sheperdson and Langue (D429,096)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(4) Rejection 103	Claims 9, 12-15 and 18-20	Scarlett, Sheperdson and Langue (D429,096)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached

#### Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

There was no motivation to modify the references with GRISLEY which teaches rounded finger joints. See proposed response.

SCARLETT and SHEPERDSON have supporting structures below the plane of the joint. LANGUE is a design patent thus we cannot ascertain the joint mechanism, no second mortise shown and head bottom is not shorter than gusset top, therefore no suggestion.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on June 28, 2004.

#### NOTE:

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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